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Father of three—Lars and Lucy, students at Ruth Moyer Elementary in Fort Thomas and Ashley a 1996 graduate of Highlands High School and 2000 graduate of Harvard. Wife, Teena, elementary PE teacher.

Professional-Lawyer/Mediator—Fort Thomas and Professor of Government Contract Law @ Defense Acquisition University—Wright-Patterson Campus. Previous legal work (education related) includes—Service as a Prosecutor for the Kentucky Professional Standards Board and as a Due Process Hearing Officer under IDEA.

Graduate of Lexington's Tates Creek High School; UK-BA in History and Latin American Studies; NKU's Salmon P. Chase College of Law; While at Chase, attended Bonn University in Germany on a summer fellowship awarded by the German Academic Exchange Commission.

Member of Fort Thomas Board of Education-12 years-1996-1998; Served as chairman and vice-chairman on two different occasions; Member of the KSBA Board of Directors-1993-98; Chairman, Administrative Board Highland United Methodist Church; Delegate, Northern Kentucky Interfaith Commission; Appointed to the Kentucky Board of Education on June 20, 2000.

Other recent accomplishments include—Riding a bicycle across the state of Iowa (for the 4th year) from the Missouri River to the Mississippi River (490 miles) July 23 through July 29 in the Register's Annual Great Ride Across Iowa.

Have published several legal articles in Kentucky Bar Association and American Bar Association publications, concerning education and foreign adoption including-"The Kentucky Education Reform Act of 1990 and Local Boards of Education" which is cited as a reference in Baldwins' version of Kentucky Revised Statutes in statutes concerning local boards of education.

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